NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

CASE NAME:

Draft 2005-2010 Housing Element

CASE NO:

GPA 03-02

PROJECT LOCATION:

City-wide

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project is the adoption of the City of Carlsbad Draft 2005-2010 Housing Element, which requires a General Plan Amendment. California Housing Element law requires that local jurisdictions update their housing elements every five years. The Housing Element represents a chapter of the City's General Plan, a planning document that identifies the community's long-term goals for development. The Housing Element chapter provides guidance and direction for City policymakers to address the specific housing needs of the community.

PROPOSED DETERMINATION: The City of Carlsbad has conducted an environmental review of the above described project pursuant to the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Environmental Protection Ordinance of the City of Carlsbad. As a result of said review, the initial study (EIA Part 2) identified potentially significant effects on the environment, but (1) mitigation measures developed before the proposed negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effect on the environment would occur, and (2) there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record before the City that the project "as revised" may have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, a Mitigated Negative Declaration will be recommended for adoption by the City of Carlsbad City Council.

A copy of the initial study (EIA Part 2) documenting reasons to support the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is on file in the Planning Department, 1635 Faraday Avenue, Carlsbad, California 92008. Comments from the public are invited. Pursuant to Section 15204 of the CEQA Guidelines, in reviewing Mitigated Negative Declarations, persons and public agencies should focus on the proposed finding that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. If persons and public agencies believe that the project may have a significant effect, they should: (1) identify the specific effect; (2) explain why they believe the effect would occur; and (3) explain why they believe the effect would be significant. Please submit comments in writing to the Planning Department within 30 days of the date of this notice.

The proposed project and Mitigated Negative Declaration are subject to review and approval/adoption by the City of Carlsbad Planning Commission and City Council. Additional public notices will be issued when those public hearings are scheduled. If you have any questions, please call Scott Donnell in the Planning Department at (760) 602-4618.

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